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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Appln. of: Toshiyasu Yabe et al.

Appln. No.: 10/517,623

Filed: September 16, 2005

For: ELECTRONIC MAIL DISTRIBUTION  
METHOD, COMMUNICATIONS TERMINAL,  
AND SERVER DEVICE

Examiner: David Armond Wiley

Art Unit: 2143

Attorney Docket No: 9683/216

Commissioner for Patents  
P. O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

## TRANSMITTAL

Sir:

## Attached is/are:

☒ Transmittal Letter (in duplicate); Request for Correction of Filing Receipt (in duplicate); Copy of Filing Receipt dated January 18, 2006 with change marked; Copy of Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney submitted with application; Copy of Original Patent Application Transmittal; Application Cover Sheet

☒ Return Receipt Postcard

## Fee calculation:

☐ No additional fee is required.

☐ Small Entity.

☐ An extension fee in an amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ for a \_\_\_\_\_-month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a).

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☐ An additional filing fee has been calculated as shown below:

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First Presentation of Multiple Dep. Claim					+\$180=			+\$360=	
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☐ Please charge Deposit Account No. 23-1925 in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_. A copy of this Transmittal is enclosed for this purpose.

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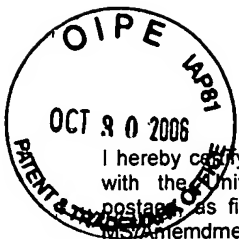
☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional filing fees required under 37 CFR § 1.16 and any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR § 1.17 associated with this paper (including any extension fee required to ensure that this paper is timely filed), or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 23-1925.

Respectfully submitted,

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### REQUEST FOR CORRECTION OF FILING RECEIPT

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Attention: Application Processing Division  
Customer Correction Branch

Sir:

Applicants request the issuance of a corrected filing receipt (copy of Filing Receipt dated January 18, 2006 is enclosed) for the above-referenced patent application, and in support of this request respectfully state:

The name of the first Applicant was incorrectly entered by the U.S. Patent Office and is inaccurate (see enclosed copy of Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney submitted with patent application, application transmittal and application cover sheet) and should be corrected as follows:

**-- TOSHIYASU YABE--**

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees required to Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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Receipt is acknowledged of this regular Patent Application. It will be considered in its order and you will be notified as to the results of the examination. Be sure to provide the U.S. APPLICATION NUMBER, FILING DATE, NAME OF APPLICANT, and TITLE OF INVENTION when inquiring about this application. Fees transmitted by check or draft are subject to collection. Please verify the accuracy of the data presented on this receipt. If an error is noted on this Filing Receipt, please mail to the Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria Va 22313-1450. Please provide a copy of this Filing Receipt with the changes noted thereon. If you received a "Notice to File Missing Parts" for this application, please submit any corrections to this Filing Receipt with your reply to the Notice. When the USPTO processes the reply to the Notice, the USPTO will generate another Filing Receipt incorporating the requested corrections (if appropriate).

Applicant(s) *S/B a "T"*  
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 Makoto Soga, Minato-ku, JAPAN;  
 Tomoko Enatsu, Yokohama-shi, JAPAN;

**Power of Attorney:**

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**Domestic Priority data as claimed by applicant**

This application is a 371 of PCT/JP03/07136 06/05/2003

**Foreign Applications**

JAPAN 2002-166231 06/06/2002

**Projected Publication Date:** 04/27/2006**Non-Publication Request:** No**Early Publication Request:** No**Title**

Electronic mail distribution method, communications terminal, and server device

**Preliminary Class**

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As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled E-mail distribution method, communications terminal, and server apparatus, the specification of which:

- ☐ is attached hereto.
- ☒ was filed on June 05, 2003 as International Application No. PCT/JP03/07136.
- ☐ and was amended on \_\_\_\_\_ (if applicable).

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56(a).

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or § 365(b) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate or § 365(a) of any PCT International application which designated at least one country other than the United States, listed below and have also identified below, by checking the box, any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate, or PCT International application having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

**Prior Foreign Application(s)****Priority Claimed**

<u>2002-166231</u>	<u>Japan</u>	<u>June 06, 2002</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
(Number)	(Country)	(Filing Date)	Yes	No

I hereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below:

_____	_____
(Application Serial No.)	(Filing Date)

I hereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C. § 120 of any United States application(s), or § 365(c) of any PCT International application designating the United States, listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States or PCT International application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of 35 U.S.C. § 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR § 1.56 which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT International filing date of this application:

<u>PCT/JP03/07136</u>	<u>June 05, 2003</u>	<u>Pending</u>
(Application Serial No.)	(Filing Date)	(Status-patented, pending, abandoned)

I hereby appoint the following attorneys to prosecute said patent application and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith:

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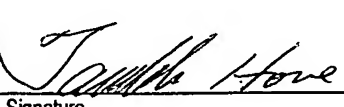
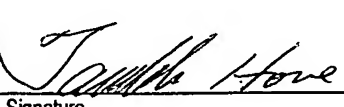
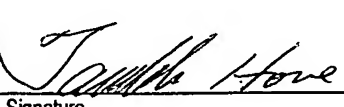


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TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371			U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37 C.F.R. 1.5)
			To Be Assigned
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/JP03/07136	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE June 5, 2003	PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED June 6, 2002	
TITLE OF INVENTION E-MAIL DISTRIBUTION METHOD, COMMUNICATIONS TERMINAL, AND SERVER APPARATUS			
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US Toshiyasu YABE, Makoto SOGA, Tomoko ENATSU			
Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:			
<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371</li><li>2. <input type="checkbox"/> This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371</li><li>3. <input type="checkbox"/> This express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9), and (21) indicated below.</li><li>4. <input type="checkbox"/> The US has been elected (Article 31).</li><li>5. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)).<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>a. <input type="checkbox"/> is transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau).</li><li>b. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> has been transmitted by the International Bureau.</li><li>c. <input type="checkbox"/> is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).</li></ol></li><li>6. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An English translation of the International Application into English (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)).<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto.</li><li>b. <input type="checkbox"/> has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).</li></ol></li><li>7. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>a. <input type="checkbox"/> are transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau).</li><li>b. <input type="checkbox"/> have been transmitted by the International Bureau.</li><li>c. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.</li><li>d. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> have not been made and will not be made.</li></ol></li><li>8. <input type="checkbox"/> An English translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).</li><li>9. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An unexecuted combined declaration and power of attorney of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).</li><li>10. <input type="checkbox"/> An English translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)) and/or amendments under Article 34.</li></ol>			
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<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>11. <input type="checkbox"/> An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.</li><li>12. <input type="checkbox"/> An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.</li><li>13. <input type="checkbox"/> A preliminary amendment.</li><li>14. <input type="checkbox"/> An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76.</li><li>15. <input type="checkbox"/> A substitute specification.</li><li>16. <input type="checkbox"/> A power of attorney and/or change of address letter.</li><li>17. <input type="checkbox"/> A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 CFR 1.821-1.825.</li><li>18. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the published international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).</li><li>19. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).</li><li>20. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other items or information:</li></ol>			
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21. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The following fees are submitted: <b>Basic National Fee (37 CFR 1.492(a)(1)-(5)):</b> Neither international preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482) nor international search fee (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)) paid to USPTO and International Search Report not prepared by the EPO or JPO ..... \$1110.00  International preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482) not paid to USPTO but International Search Report prepared by the EPO or JPO ..... \$950.00  International preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482) not paid to USPTO but international search fee (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)) paid to USPTO. .... \$790.00  International preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482) paid to USPTO but all claims did not satisfy provisions of PCT Article 33(1)-(4) ..... \$750.00  International preliminary examination fee paid to USPTO (37 CFR 1.482) and all claims satisfied provisions of PCT Article 33(1)-(4) ..... \$100.00  <b>ENTER APPROPRIATE BASIC FEE AMOUNT</b>		<table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <th style="width: 60%;">CALCULATIONS</th> <th style="width: 40%;">PTO USE ONLY</th> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2" style="height: 150px;"></td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: right;">\$ 950.00</td> <td></td> </tr> </table>		CALCULATIONS	PTO USE ONLY			\$ 950.00	
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